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"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Thursday 9th May 2024

A range of modern daily wear jewellery at Tanishq

Mysuru, May 9- With the auspicious Akshaya Tritiya approaching, Tanishq, India's largest jewellery retail brand from the house of Tata, unveils 'GlamDays', a stunning and versatile range of contemporary daily wear jewellery inspired by designs from around the world.

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'GlamDays' is now available across all Tanishq showrooms and on e-commerce platform ***https://www.tanishq.co.in/dailywear?lang=en_IN***, with prices starting from Rs. 15,000.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

While watching the movie** Cinderella **not too long ago, I recalled the catch phrase of the movie which reverberated like a leitmotif right through the movie. The poor girl was all too often ill-used (the term encapsulated the list of tasks set before her on a daily basis) by her cruel stepmother yet she still shone through like a diamond apart from the rest coal blob. Later on when the young beauty meets her prince Charming, he is impressed by her philosophy of life and made it his guiding factor to take on the mantle of the kingship from an otherwise worried father who felt that his son was frittering away his time on trifles. But I digress…Many of us go along in life nursing grudges knowingly or unknowingly which tend to grow like a cancer eating away at our insides. It is only when we free ourselves from this burden and embrace life in all its variegated beauty that true love embraces us. This does remind me, on a tangential note, of a research done on snowflakes, by a scientist. When he looked at them through a microscope and said kindly, "I love you," they seemed to dance about but when he conversely said, "I hate you" they darkened.

When so-called insentient beings such as snowflakes display such feelings towards affection who are we to question the worth of the all too important feeling that truly bestows upon us the name of humanity, that is, love?

On a parallel note I still recall someone from what seems like ages back, C.R. Bose, who held forth that even inanimate objects have life. I remembered all that and more when I recently was about to bang the door shut because of the noise outside. I stopped short counted to 20 then slowly shut it thanking one of my countless enlightened teachers who had also given a discourse echoing Bose's premise. Anyway, that was the last time I banged shut doors…and if I made the mistake of doing so I repented of it sincerely. Likewise when I had ill feeling in my heart for anyone I immediately went to my shrine and prayed to God repenting my mistake. In the end, we are redeemed only by our ability to love and live by the choices that follow. *—Anuradha Rajan in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

This Cave of Death is lethal to any creature

Venecia de San Carlos: The Recreo Verde tourist complex in Venecia de San Carlos, Costa Rica, is home to a tiny mountain cavern that has come to be known as The Cave of Death due to its ability to kill any creature that enters it.

Located on the edge of the Poas Volcano, la Cueva de la Muerte is only 2 metres deep and 3 metres long, which makes it a seemingly cosy refuge for insects, birds, and small animals looking for shelter. But appearances can be deceiving, as entering this tiny cavern results in an almost instant death. Although the tiny cave looks harmless to the naked eye, it is filled with carbon monoxide, a colourless, odourless, tasteless gas that also happens to be extremely toxic. To demonstrate just how lethal the Cave of Death actually is, local guides place a lit torch inside the cavern and it is extinguished instantly by the absence of oxygen and the high concentration of carbon dioxide. Scientists have found that la Cueva de la Muerte produces about 30kg of carbon dioxide every hour.

Escaped cows turn in at rescue facility

Guernsey: Animal rescuers on the island of Guernsey said a herd of cows escaped from their fenced-in pasture, but were quickly recaptured when they wandered to an animal rescue centre.

The Guernsey Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals said the bovines left their farm and made their way to the GSPCA's closest facility.

"We are very blessed to have very clever animals here in Guernsey. It was a very entertaining day for the GSPCA team, but we like a challenge and it wasn't long before we got hold of the farmer who owned them and off they went," GSPCA Manager Steve Byrne said and added that the cows weren't the first runaway animals to turn themselves in at the facility.

HEALTH CAPSULE

More sun exposure can cause hyperpigmentation. This means some areas of your skin will darken. The reason behind this is the increase in melanin, the pigment responsible for your skin colour. It is the body's way of protecting you against sun damage.

By Dr. Ravi S - Consultant - Dermatology & Cosmetologist
Manipal Hospital, Mysore

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LIFE'S ON

****Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature***

Career Counselling on May 11

Mysuru, May 9 - The Hindu-Education Plus is organising a free Career Counselling and Guidance Programme on May 11 at Sahukar Chennaiah Auditorium, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering (VVCE), Gokulam 3rd Stage, Mysuru.

Registration will start at 9 am and programme starts at 9.30 am. Officials from Karnataka Examination Authority (KEA) will make a presentation on CET counselling and admission procedure. There will also be a presentation on alternative career choices by personnel from CIGMA Bengaluru who are a professional group specialised in career guidance and counselling.

Deputy Commissioner Dr. K.V. Rajendra will be the chief guest. Dr. S.N. Manjunatha, Associate Professor, MMC&RI; Dr. B. Sadashive Gowda, Principal, VVCE; N. Udayashankara, Nodal Officer, KEA Help Line, Mysuru and Asgar Pasha, Recruitment Trainer & Career Counsellor, CIGMA will be the speakers.

The two sessions will be followed by a question and answer session in which resource persons and experts from Engineering and Medical streams will join KEA officials to take questions from students and clarify their doubts on admission to various professional courses besides throwing light on other career options, prospects, scope, eligibility requirements etc. All the participants will get a free copy of a career handbook.

Students who have passed 12th class and those who are studying in 12th can also attend this programme. For details call B. Rajesh, Sr. Asst. Manager, on Mob: 94488-71815.

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REALLY...?

- ***Maggots have no legs, but their front ends have mouths with hooks that help them grab at decaying flesh and other delectable food items. Despite their endless appetites, however, they lack a sophisticated digestive system.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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State records 73.40 pass percentage in SSLC

Ankita Basappa Konnur of Morarji Desai Residential School in Bagalkot scores 625/625 marks; Udupi tops list; Mysuru in seventh place

Ankita Basappa Konnur

Mysuru, May 9 (KMS&DM)- Udupi district tops the list in the SSLC exam results this year (2023-24), which was announced today at Bengaluru. The exam was held from Mar. 25 to Apr. 6 at 2,750 centres in 35 educational districts of the State, in which 8,59,967 students appeared.

The Karnataka School Examination and Assessment Board (KSEAB) announced the results at Bengaluru this morning, according to which the overall pass percentage this year is 73.40 which is down by more than 10 percent as compared to last year (83.89%). In keeping with the trend, girls outshone boys in performance this year too, with girls recording a pass percentage of 81.11 as compared to 65.90 percent recorded by boys.

Ankita Basappa Konnur of Morarji Desai Residential School at Melligeri in Mudhol taluk of Bagalkot district is the lone State topper scoring the maximum of 625/625 marks, while seven students from across the State have come second scoring 624/625 marks. Also, as many as 14 students have scored 623, 21 have scored 622, 44 have scored 621 and 64 have scored 620.

Out of the 8,59,967 students, who appeared for the exam this year, 6,31,204 have passed out, thus recording a pass percentage of 73.40.

(See SSLC on page 9)

To Our Readers

Turn to Page-8 for Abracadabra titled ***"Musings on war-mongering and peace-loving political leaders."*** **—Ed**

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NEWS BRIEFS

Free workshop

S. Puneeth

University of Mysore Negilayogi Vidyavardhaka Spardha Kendra, in association with University Career Hub and Navo-Pramathi, Mysuru, will be organising a one-day Information and Guidance Workshop for Civil Services and KAS aspirants at Yuvaraja's College at 9.30 am on May 10. S. Puneeth, who was selected for UPSC Civil Services in 2023, will be the resource person, according to a press release. For details, contact Mob: 97311-39407 or 99006-29393.

Cinema screening

Heritage House will be hosting its 12th open-air cinema screening, offering a unique cinematic experience with the movie 'Bahadur: The Brave' followed by a live discussion with the director of the movie, Diwa Shah, on May 12 at 6.30 pm at the Heritage House Courtyard in Saraswathipuram. [Mob: 97411-73094]

IPL 2024

TODAY'S MATCH (MAY 9)

PBKS Vs **RCB**

HPCA Stadium, Dharamsala — **7.30 pm**

TOMORROW'S MATCH (MAY 10)

GT Vs **CSK**

Narendra Modi Stadium, Ahmedabad — **7.30 pm**

YESTERDAY'S RESULT

LSG - 165 / 4 (20 Overs)

LOST TO

SRH - 167 / 0 (9.4)

Live Telecast on

STAR SPORTS & JioCinema

[Source: www.iplt20.com]

Wild elephant captured at Gopalaswamy Hill range

Gundlupet, May 9 (KS)- A wild elephant, which was creating havoc by destroying crops in villages bordering Himavad Gopalaswamy Hill was captured by the Forest Department with the help of tamed elephants.

The wild elephant, aged about 40 years, was captured at Sandal Reserve Forest at Somanathapura in Gopalaswamy Hill Range and has been released in Gundre Forest coming under the Eco-Sensitive Zone of Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

The operation to capture the wild elephant was taken up 20 days ago but the wild elephant on seeing the Forest staff along with tamed elephants from Dubare Elephant Camp used to run away following which the Forest staff had temporarily halted the operation.

But the operation to capture the wild elephant was halted, the elephant came again and began to destroy the crops.

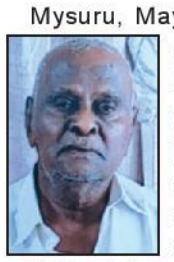
Yesterday early morning, the Forest staff, along with tamed elephants Kanjan, Rama, Lakshmana, Eshwara and Rohit, conducted an operation and successfully captured the wild elephant.

The Forest Officials and staff, who began observing the movements and behaviour of the wild elephant from Tuesday evening, found the wild elephant moving near the safari ticket counter and immediately took steps to capture it.

Chief Veterinarian Dr. Mujeeb and Veterinarian Dr. Mirza Waseem, who were on the back of tamed elephants, tranquillised the wild elephant rendering it unconscious following which the wild elephant was secured with ropes and captured.

Deputy Conservator of Forests (DCF) Prabhakaran, Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF) Naveen, Range Forest Officers (RFOs) Manjunath, Jnanashekar, Gajendra, Vijay, Karthik, Gopalakrishna and Anand, over 100 Special Tiger Protection Force (STPF) and Leopard Task Force (LTF) personnel took part in the operation.

Retd. Education Dept. Superintendent S. Lingaiah passes away



S. Lingaiah

Mysuru, May 9- S. Lingaiah (84), retired Education Department Superintendent and a resident of KHB Colony in Nanjangud, passed away following age-related ailments at a private hospital in city this morning.

He leaves behind his wife Gowramma, sons KR Hospital Dermatology Department Head Dr. B.L. Nanjundaswamy, Software Engineer B.L. Srikantamurthy, Commercial Tax Department Assistant Commissioner B.L. Keshavamurthy and Horticulture Department Deputy Director B.L. Shivaprasad and a host of relatives and friends.

The body was taken to his native place Bisalavadi village in Chamarajanagar taluk this afternoon and the last rites will be held at the family's farm land at Bisalavadi village tomorrow (May 10) at 10 am.

Three go missing

Mysuru/ Nanjangud, May 9 (KS)- In separate cases, three persons have gone missing from Nanjangud and Mysuru city.

In the first case, a 21-year-old girl, who was given temporary shelter at Shakthidhama in Mysuru, has gone missing since Apr. 30 night.

The missing girl is M. Priya. She was handed over to Shakthidhama authorities on Apr. 4 by Saragur Police, where she was given temporary shelter. After having her dinner at about 9.30 pm, Priya went to her room from where she went missing.

Those having any information about her may contact Ph: 0821-2418319/ 519.

In the second case, a 50-year-old man, who left his house in November 2023 on some work, has been missing since then. Meanwhile, he had called his family members on Mar. 19, 2024 and told them that he was having some work and will come home after completing it besides asking his family members not to call him.

The missing man is Srinivas, according to the complaint lodged by his wife at KR Police Station.

Anyone having any information about Srinivas may contact Ph: 0821-2418319/ 519.

In the third case, a 64-year-old man, who went out of his house on May 5 at about 5.30 am to attend nature's call, has since gone missing.

Nagegowda

The missing man is Nagegowda, a resident of Harathale village in Nanjangud taluk.

He is 5.7 ft. tall, wheatish complexioned, oval faced, normal built, speaks Kannada and was wearing a black T-shirt and sky blue coloured dhoti when he went out of the house.

Those having any information about the missing man may contact Nanjangud Rural Police Station on Ph: 08221-226259 or call the District Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2520040.

Online fraud

Two from city lose Rs. 19.30 lakh

Mysuru, May 9 (SPN&KS)- In separate cases, two persons have lost a total of Rs. 19.30 lakh to online fraud.

In the first case, C.S.S. Kashyap, a resident of Gayathripuram was asked by the fraudsters to install ICICI International Investor App through the ICICI Securities Official Stock DI 3 WhatsApp group link.

Believing them, Kashyap installed the app and invested a total of Rs. 10 lakh in phases. Later, when he tried to withdraw his investment, he was not given permission.

Realising that he has been cheated, Kashyap lodged a complaint at City's CEN Police Station.

In the second case, A. Praveen of Vasu Layout in Ramakrishnanagar, joined RA Investment Academy for online classes to know about investing in share market during which he was told that he would earn 500 percent for the money he invests in shares.

He (Praveen) was then sent an online link to install an app. But as Praveen was unable to purchase shares in the app, the fraudsters told him to install Techstar Pro App and invest money.

Believing them Praveen invested a total of Rs. 9,30,000 in phases from Mar. 19 till Apr. 2. But when Praveen checked his account in the app on Apr. 12, it showed a total of Rs. 80,93,640. When he asked the fraudsters to send him the link to withdraw the money, he was told to pay 10 percent as tax and then withdraw money.

Sensing that he has been duped, Praveen lodged a complaint with CEN Police.

Unidentified men die at KR Hospital

Mysuru, May 9 (KS)- In separate cases, two men admitted at K.R. Hospital have breathed their last at the hospital.

In the first case, Ashokapuram Police, who found an unidentified man lying sick near Jayanagar Government Hospital on Apr. 28, had shifted him to KR Hospital where he breathed his last at about 5.30 pm on May 2 due to CVA with aspiration pneumonia.

The deceased is aged about 40 years, 5.5 ft. tall, thin built, oval faced, oily red complexioned and was wearing a light green and blue floral design full arm shirt and black coloured pant.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact Ashokapuram Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418321/ 521.

In the second case, a KSRTC bus (KA-40-F-1101) hit an unidentified man on Bengaluru-Mysuru Expressway near Kalasthawadi village on May 3 at about 7.45 pm injuring him seriously. NR Traffic had admitted him to KR Hospital where he succumbed to his injuries at about 8.48 pm at the hospital.

The deceased is aged between 30 and 35 years, 5.4 ft. tall, oily red complexioned, oval faced, normal built, has a mole on his chest and was wearing a black coloured full arm shirt and grey pant.

The kith and kin of the deceased, if any, may contact NR Police Station on Ph: 0821-2418328/528 or City Police Control Room on Ph: 0821-2418339.

VOICE OF THE READER

Kudos to Tata's Air India

Sir,

Sometime back we went to our daughter's place in Cupertino, California, USA. Our trip was scheduled from the beginning of November 2023 to the end of April 2024, spanning approximately 5.5 months.

On March 20, we received distressing news from my brother-in-law in Mysuru: My mother-in-law had suddenly fallen severely ill, was hospitalised and in ICU. Shocked by this news, we swiftly decided to return to India.

Our return journey was initially booked for April 22 (with a non-flexible ticket). However, our son-in-law, Prashanth, informed us of a clause with Air India allowing for rescheduling during emergencies. He suggested we request a reschedule rather than purchasing new tickets.

Prashanth promptly emailed copies of the hospital admission letter from my mother-in-law's doctor and her Aadhaar Card on March 22 morning, along with a request letter to Air India. **We received an immediate response stating they would review the matter and respond within 24 to 48 hours.**

Surprisingly, on March 22 night itself (within 16 hours), we received confirmation of the rescheduled flight for March 24. The additional cost for each rescheduled ticket was a nominal 100 dollars, significantly less than the 600-dollar cost of new tickets.

We are deeply grateful to Air India for their compassionate gesture. **During a challenging time, the organisation displayed empathy, cooperated efficiently and alleviated our mental stress.** Thanks to their prompt assistance, we were able to return to Bharat on March 26.

We have been loyal passengers of Air India for numerous journeys and have always been impressed by the dedication and warm smiles of crew and staff.

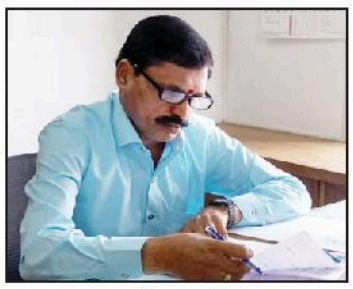
A special acknowledgement to **Ratan Tata** for facilitating smooth and joyful journeys.

— Roopashree Nagaraj and Prof. M.K. Nagaraj

Mysuru
26.4.2024

NOTE: *Probably, Tata is another name for kindness and compassion. A company with a humane face. The correspondents may visit, if and when they are in Paris, the Pere Lachaise Cemetery in Paris where the Tatas, including JRD Tata, were interred.*—**Ed**

Appointed as Temple AEO



Yesuraj

Mysuru, May 9 (KS)- Yesuraj, who was serving at the Muzrai Tahsildar's Office in city, has been appointed as the Assistant Executive Officer (AEO) of Kukke Shree Subrahmanya Temple in Dakshina Kannada district. He took charge as the AEO from In-charge AEO Paramesh on May 2. Executive Officer Dr. Ningaiah, Office Superintendent Padmanabha Shettigar, Engineer Udayakumar, Protocol Officer Jayarama Rao, S. Maheshkumar and others were present.

Basava Jayanti at Suttur Mutt

Mysuru, May 9- Basava Jayanti - Akshaya Tritiya will be celebrated at Suttur Mutt, foot of Chamundi Hill, in city tomorrow (May 10) at 8.30 am in the presence of Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji. Puja will be performed to the portrait of Basaveshwara which will be followed by Pushpanjali, Vachana Gayana and Lecture programmes.

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- Driver miraculously escapes as tree falls on moving autorickshaw on Vani Vilas Road
- Trees uprooted; electric poles damaged in different parts of city causing power outage

Workers sawing the tree that fell on an auto near KR Police Station on Vani Vilas Road yesterday. Picture right shows an uprooted tree in front of Sarvajanika Hostel in Vidyaranyapuram.

Mysuru, May 9 (PM, RK &BS)- Several parts of the district including Mysuru city received heavy rain accompanied by wind on Wednesday, adding to the woes of the people who are rattled by back to back downpour, but in intervals since Friday last. Though it rained in the wee hours of Wednesday, the intensity of rainfall in the night was more, but less compared to the downpour received last week. Fortunately, no casualties have been reported.

The rain accompanied by lightning began at around 8.10 pm and lasted for one-and-a-half hours, that caught many off guard. The trees uprooted and the branches fell on electric line, leading to disruption in vehicular traffic and power outage at places.

A huge tree on Vani Vilas Road near KR Police Station uprooted and fell on the road, damaging a autorickshaw and a two-wheeler. The auto was passing through the stretch of the road, when the tree came crashing down. The driver identified as Anil had a miraculous escape while the rear portion of the three-wheeler was severely damaged. A major tragedy was averted, as there were no passengers in the auto at the time of the incident.

Last 24 hours rainfall in Mysuru district till 8.30 am today

	Normal (mm)	Actual (mm)	% DEP
MYSURU DIST.	3.6	7.4	106
H.D. Kote	3.4	5.9	74
Hunsur	1.5	0.4	-73
K.R. Nagar	3.6	2.3	-36
Mysuru	3.8	13.0	242
Nanjangud	3.4	18.9	456
Periyapatna	2.2	0.6	-73
T. Narasipur	2.4	5.1	113
Saragur	7.3	11.7	60
Saligrama	3.8	1.1	-71

* DEP : Depreciation

Similarly, a fully grown coconut tree got uprooted near the over-bridge on MG Road, bringing the vehicular traffic to a screeching halt. The branches of several trees also fell on the roads at Chamundipuram, Lakshmipuram, Kuvempunagar, Kalidasa Road in VV Mohalla, Yadavagiri Railway Under Bridge, Mirza Road in Nazarbad, Alanahalli on Mysuru-T. Narasipur Road, Rajivnagar and several other localities.

A total of nine teams, one in each of nine zones of MCC including vehicles; one JCB, two tippers, one bulldozer, one ladder and four of Abhaya personnel and six others totalling 10 personnel in each teams, are involved in simultaneous operations to clear the trees and branches.

The operation started early in the morning and is expected to be over today afternoon. They were involved in similar operation after the downpour yesterday night also, it is said.

On the other hand, MCC's Horticulture Division staff have also taken up pruning of dried tree branches since yesterday itself to avoid any further damages due to rainfall.

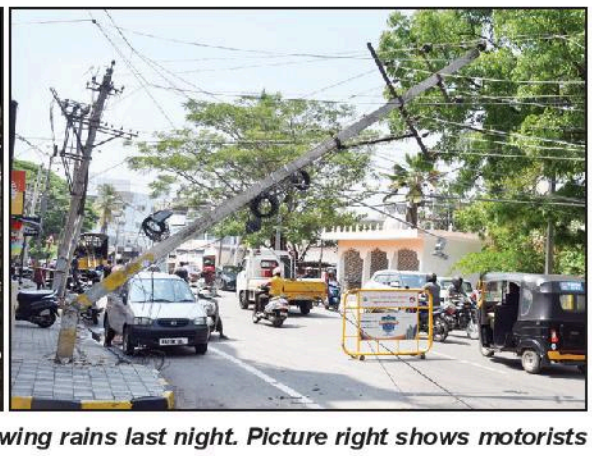
Overall, the copious rains at different intervals on three days have brought respite to the people who were reeling under sweltering heat, never experienced in the recent years.

Dry, broken tree branches axed on Mirza road

Dry and dangling tree branches were removed near City Police Commissioner's Office on Mirza Road in city on Wednesday.

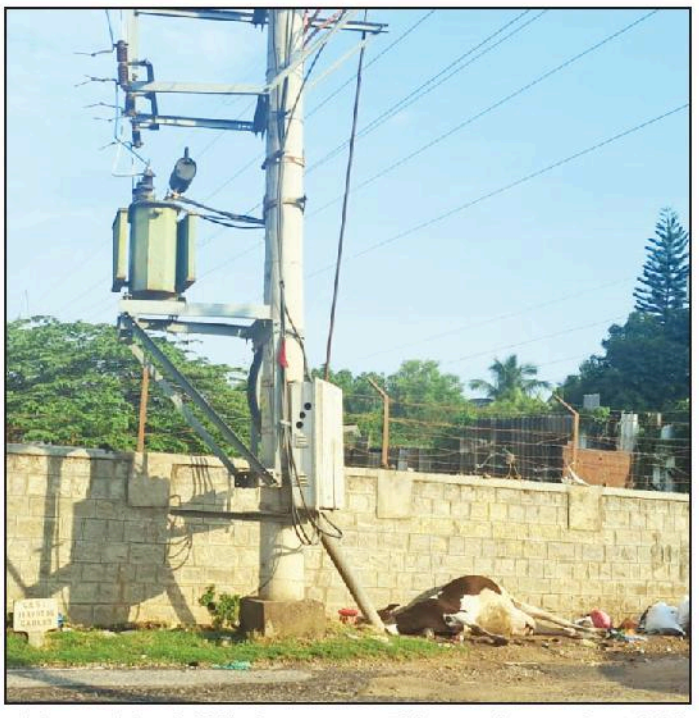
The personnel attached to Abhaya squad, the emergency rescue wing of MCC along with outsourced personnel were involved in the operation, along with the assistance of ladders and cranes.

Following the heavy rainfall received in city on Friday last, several trees were uprooted and the incidents of branches falling on the roads were reported from different parts of the city, keeping Abhaya teams on their toes.



An electric pole damaged on JLB Road following rains last night. Picture right shows motorists passing under the broken electric pole and sagging power lines in Chamundipuram this morning.

Cow electrocuted



Mysuru, May 9 (KS)- A pregnant cow died on the spot after it reportedly stepped on a live power cable near JSS Layout on Kalyangiri Main Road here this morning.

The cow, worth about Rs. 1 lakh, belonged to Savitha, wife of Narayana and a resident of Raghavendranagar in city.

Narayana, a retired employee of MyMUL, had purchased four cows and was selling the milk for a living.

This morning at about 8.30, Narayana, after milking the cow, was taking it for grazing, when it stepped on the snapped live wire close to the CESC Office on Kalyangiri Main Road and was electrocuted.

CESC staff, who rushed to the spot, have repaired the snapped power cable. Savitha has lodged a complaint at Nazarbad Police Station and the Police personnel, visited the spot and conducted mahazar.

Dead cold chambers at mortuary raise a stink

Malfunctions and permeating foul smell cast a shadow over MMC&RI's Centenary Celebrations

Mysuru, May 9 (RK&BS)- The countdown has commenced for the centenary celebrations of Mysore Medical College and Research Institute (MMC&RI) scheduled for September.

However, the prestigious educational institution finds itself in the spotlight for the wrong reasons. The cold storage or cold chambers at the mortuary attached to MMC&RI on Irwin Road have ceased functioning, sparking criticism over its inefficient administrative practices.

For the past four months, two of the three cold storages — numbers 1 and 3 — with the capacity to accommodate six bodies each, totalling 18 bodies, have been out of order. Yet, there has been no indication of prompt repairs.

The mortuary staff, doctors assigned to conduct autopsies and the relatives of the deceased endure the unpleasant consequences, as the bodies emit a foul odour while stored in the freezers, intended to preserve them until claimed by their families.

Failures in compressors

Delving into the technical issues, the malfunctioning cold storages have experienced failures in their compressors, starting kits, vacuum systems and gas-charging equipment since January. As a result, the bodies within have decomposed, prompting staff members to resort to alcohol consumption to endure the noxious smell, albeit at the expense of their own health. Regrettably, many have contracted jaundice infections due to this practice.

In a letter addressed to the Dean and Director of MMC&RI dated May 7, the Institute's Bio-Medical Engineer has urgently recommended the procurement of the aforementioned equipment and the servicing of the cold chambers to restore their functionality as soon as possible.

Following standard procedure, bodies classified as Medico Legal Cases (MLC) are sent to the mortuary for post-mortem examinations before being released to their families.

Arduous task to preserve bodies

Post-mortems for victims of fatal incidents such as accidents, suicides and cases of Unnatural Death Reports (UDR), including unidentified bodies, reported within both City and District Police limits, are conducted at this facility.

However, in the case of unidentified bodies, they are kept in cold storage for a minimum of four days until the identification process is completed by tracing their relatives.

With the cold storage currently undergoing repairs, storing bodies of drowning victims, particularly those recovered after two to three days in water, burn victims and highly decomposed bodies has become challenging.

The strong odour emitted from these bodies permeates a significant distance, exacerbating the already difficult situation. One must imagine the plight of the mortuary staff, confined within the four walls of the building, facing these circumstances.

ASHA worker dies hours after her uncle passes away

Nagamma

Hunsur, May 9- In a tragic incident, an ASHA worker died at a Mysuru hospital on Tuesday evening just hours after her uncle passed away.

Nagamma (38) is the deceased ASHA worker.

Nagamma, a resident of Kachuvinahalli, who was serving as an ASHA worker at Neralakuppe Primary Health Centre (PHC), was admitted to a private hospital in Mysuru following low Blood Pressure (BP). But she breathed her last in the hospital on Tuesday evening.

Incidentally, her uncle K.N. Suresh, a Postal Supervisor, had died of heart attack on Tuesday morning and his last rites were performed at his native village later in the evening.

Nagamma too died just a few hours after her uncle Suresh passed away.

Nagamma leaves behind her husband, a son, a daughter and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at her farmland on Wednesday.

One arrested for starting forest fire

Gundlupet, May 9 (KS)- Forest Department officials have arrested one person for setting fire to Maddur Forest in Bandipur Tiger Reserve in the taluk and have launched a hunt to nab two others who are absconding.

The arrested is Arun Kumar, a resident of Kallipura village in the taluk and the Forest staff have seized four teak wood logs from him.

It is learnt that Arun, along with two others, had set fire in the forest and when the Forest staff rushed to the fire spot to extinguish it, Arun and two others had chopped teak trees in forest borders and had transported them.

The Forest officials, who came to know about it, conducted an investigation and traced Arun to his house and arrested him besides seizing four teak wood logs from his house, said Assistant Conservator of Forests (ACF) Ravindra.

Helpline for crop loss

Mysuru, May 9- The District Administration has set up Helplines across the district to enable farmers to get information on crop loss relief payment. The Helpline Nos. are:

DC's Office, Mysuru: 0821-2423800, Helpline: 1077; Mysuru Assistant Commissioner's Office: 0821-2422100; Hunsur Assistant Commissioner's Office: 97318-25346; **Taluk Offices -** Mysuru: 0821-2414812; Nanjangud: 08221-223108; T. Narasipur: 08227-260216; Hunsur: 08222-252959; K.R. Nagar: 08223-262371; Saligrama: 08223-283833; Periyapatna: 08223-274175; H.D. Kote: 08228-255325 and Saragur: 08228-296100.

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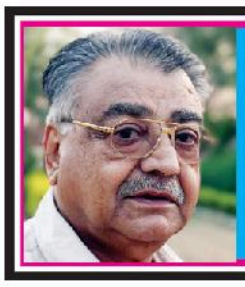

Abracadabra... Abracadabra...

By K.B. Ganapathy

Musings on war-mongering and peace-loving political leaders

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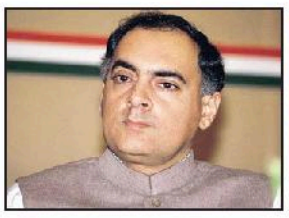

Rajiv Gandhi

Narendra Modi

German Dictator Adolf Hitler had famously and axiomatically said that war is first born in the mind of man. So also terrorism, one may add. Again, it is attributed to Hitler, that war is to man what maternity is to woman.

When we observe the world past and present, rise and fall of empires like Roman Empire, Chinese Empire, British Empire, Mughal Empire, Ottoman Empire, Byzantine Empire and many more, we learn the cause for their rise was war and cause for their fall was war. No wonder the wag had described Peace as an interval between two wars. So also the collapse of civilisations that flourished was caused by war. And there will always be men of epicurean mental state, hedonistic, ready to compromise the principle of loyalty and sentiment of love for the country. **They will betray their own people and subvert their own country.** India was a victim under this kind of people; sadly for too long a period as about one thousand years — say, post 1000 A.D to 1947. **And we see and hear this kind of subverters even today in our country.**

Presently there are two wars, yes wars, being waged in the world. One between Ukraine-Russia and another between Palestine-Israel or one may narrow it down to as between Hamas-Israel. Explicitly between Gaza-Israel. It is now more than 200 days of war resulting in large scale death and destruction and there seems to be no light at the other end of the tunnel. Not the underground tunnel constructed by Hamas!

The ceasefire negotiation has yielded no result so far. And it does not seem to yield result as long as the Israeli hostages under Hamas are not released and Hamas is adamant, for reasons, in refusing to release the hostages. Israel is equally adamant in making it a condition to accept ceasefire. Sympathy of the world is shared more or less equally between Hamas and Israel. Be that as it may, one must indeed wonder, if not feel surprised, at the tenacity of Hamas in challenging Israel despite many constraints and military failures. Worse, many deaths and living in constant fear and misery.

Presently, the humanitarian issue is that 6,00,000 children are facing catastrophe in Rafah, southern part of Gaza, where Israel is threatening to march in and are already controlling the border crossing check-post inside Rafah. It is only America that can bring an end to the war. But will it?

As is known, Gaza's bloodiest ever war began following Hamas' unprovoked and unprecedented October 7, 2023 surprise attack on Israel that resulted in the death of more than 1,170 people, mostly merry-making happy civilians. Following this killing of innocents, Israel conducted a **retaliatory offensive** that has so far killed 34,735 people in Gaza, according to Hamas sources. Whatever it be, the Israel Prime Minister Netanyahu and the Israel's iconic, formidable intelligence agency the **Mossad** are accused of failing in their duty in collecting intelligence about Hamas — about the tunnels or the attack of October 7, 2023. Now what?

This brings me to our own, India's way of facing the menace of terror attacks that spread its tentacles first in Kashmir and then extended into different parts of the country since late 1960s. It assumed dangerous dimensions during the rule of Prime Ministers Indira Gandhi, Rajiv Gandhi and all those who came to occupy the high office of the Prime Minister belonging to different parties and coalition. One Prime Minister in the face of a major terror attack bemoaned his helplessness due to, what he called, "coalition compulsion."

Indian authorities merely accused Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) and Jaish-e-Mohammed (JeM), the two terrorist groups operating from Pakistan and wrote letters pleading for good conduct and to rein-in those terrorist groups. Result? Series of regular terror attacks.

That is what you get when you write letters or engage in talks. Israel and America retaliate militarily and make their enemy ask for ceasefire or peace talks.

Let us look at some major terrorist attacks in India and India's response to these attacks. **India NOT doing enough to punish the terrorists, without learning from America and Israel, has certainly hurt the collective conscience of Indian people. The result was seen in Modi returning triumphantly in 2014 and 2019 Parliamentary elections.**

Babri Masjid was demolished on 6th December 1992. In March 1993, a series of **12 terrorist bombings rocked Mumbai.** There were 257 fatalities and 1,400 injured. **The trial went on and on and some sent to prison and one Yakub Memon executed on 30th July 2015, after 22 years.** Indian Government did not pursue this horrendous attack beyond the confines of Law Courts.

In December 2000, **a terrorist attack took place in Red Fort in Delhi** killing two soldiers and one civilian. A great discovery was made by the Intelligence Services — it was planned by the Pakistan based Lashkar-e-Taiba terrorist Bilal Ahmed Kawa. He was arrested in 2018, after 17 years. Indian Nemesis was silent.

Emboldened, the next year on 13th December 2001, **Indian Parliament was attacked.** Nine security men were killed and five terrorists were killed by security forces.

Yes, Indian Authorities accused Lashkar-e-Taiba and Jaish-e-Mohammed operating from Pakistan. But, what happened in India thereafter?

It is important to remember that a similar attack was carried out on the Assembly of Srinagar in Jammu and Kashmir in November 2001 killing 38 people. It should have alerted our 'authorities' in Delhi. Goddess Nemesis remained sleeping — 'coalition compulsion.'

The following year 24th September 2002 Pakistan **terrorists attacked the Akshardham Temple complex in Gandhinagar, Gujarat,** killing 33 and injuring 80. The INS guards ended the siege next day killing the terrorists. The six accused arrested by Gujarat Police were acquitted by the Supreme Court in 2014.

Come 2006, there was **Mumbai Train Bombing** — series of seven bomb blasts and **pressure cookers** were used in the bombings. In Karnataka too pressure cooker was used by the terror outfits.

Then two years later in 2008 the most terrific, shocking inferno-like terrorist attack took place in Mumbai. Ten members of Laskar-e-Taiba from Pakistan carried out 12 coordinated indiscriminate shooting and bombing attack lasting four days across Mumbai. The Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Railway Terminus and the Taj Mahal Palace Hotel and Tower, other places were attacked killing 175 people including nine of the attackers and injuring more than 300.

India waited with bated breath expecting the 'Indian authorities' to retaliate in a befitting way. But, nothing happened beyond Court proceedings that led to the sole surviving attacker Ajmal Kasab's execution in the year 2012. However, an important ring leader of the attack was released on bail on 9th April 2015 and he disappeared!

Fortunately, India the sleeping Asian Tiger, woke up in 2014. The terrorist game, as usual, began thinking India remained their playing field like before. In 2016 Uri attack takes place and India responds with a **surgical strike inside Pakistan to avenge the Uri terror attack in eleven days' time. Enter Prime Minister Modi the tiger.**

Again on February 14, 2019 there was Pulwama attack killing 40 Indian Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) personnel. This led to India-Pakistan military stand-off. And on 26th February 2019 there was Balakot air strike. By August 2021 the main accused along with six others had been killed and seven arrested. Balakot air strike made big news because of fighter pilot Group Captain Abhinandan Varthaman who was released by Pakistan immediately following India's warning of military attack.

An intelligence failure on the part of India was alleged in this incident but it was denied. This reminds one of the alleged intelligence failure of the Israeli authorities with regard to Hamas Attack. Even in Kargil War of 1999 India's intelligence had failed, according to reports.

India's tackling of terrorist attacks after 2014 reminds one of the Mossad, the Israeli Intelligence Agency, and its landmark missions. For example, the Operation Eichmann; avenging Black September when PLO massacred in 1972 Olympic Games eleven Israeli athletes; the Operation Entebbe and such many more. India may remember the precept 'eternal vigilance is the price of democracy.' Effective retaliation is the only preventive deterrence in defending a country.

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State records 73.40 pass percentage in SSLC

S. Jahnavi (centre) of BVB School in Vijayanagar 1st Stage, who topped the district with 623 marks, being greeted by BVB Hon. Secretary P.S. Ganapathy & School Vice-Principal Prafulla in the presence of her parents.

D.S. Dhanvee (623), J. Disha Varma (621) and Maanya (611) of Sadvidya School in Vijayanagar Second Stage, who excelled in SSLC exams, being greeted by Head Mistress K. Mamatha at the School this morning.

R. Bhumika of Marimallappa's High School who scored 621/625 being greeted by School Secretary K.N. Panchakshara Swamy as Academic Officer Mangala Muddumadappa and others look on.

(Continued from page 3)

In 2022-23, out of the 8,35,102 students who had appeared, 7,00,619 had passed out, recording a pass percentage of 83.89.

Mysuru district has bagged the seventh place this year. The district has jumped from a poor 19th position last year to be within the first ten ranks this year after putting up a better performance. Out of the 38,175 students who appeared in the district, 32,639 have passed out, thus recording a district pass percentage of 85.5.

Kodagu district bagged the fourth position recording a pass percentage of 88.67, which is a marked improvement in rankings, as compared to last year, when the district came eighth. However, Hassan district slipped to sixth place recording a pass percentage of 86.28. The district was ranked third last year. Mandya, which had come second last year, stooped down to 19th in the rankings, with a pass percentage of 73.59. The performance of Chamarajanagar district too came down drastically with the district securing 24th place (71.59 pass percentage) as against 7th last year. Yadgiri district stood at the bottom of the list (35th place), with a pass percentage of 50.59.

Twins Anjali Shastri and Aditi Shastri of Marimallappa's High School who scored identical marks (619/625).

In other statistics, as many as 7,664 students scored the maximum marks (125) in First Language, 5593 students maximum marks (100) in Second Language, 10,890 students scored the maximum (100) in Third Language, 784 students scored the maximum marks (100) in Mathematics, 277 students scored the maximum (100) in Science and 2,060 scored the maximum (100) in Social Science.

Twins score identical marks in Mysuru

In Mysuru, D.S. Dhanvee of Sadvidya School in Vijayanagar Second Stage and S. Jahnavi of BVB (Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan) School in Vijayanagar First Stage shared the top spot in the district scoring 623 marks each.

Two other students of Vijayanagar Sadvidya School — J. Disha Varma (621) and Maanya (611) — were among the school toppers. Also, Kavyashri of Sadvidya School on N.S. Road, secured 621 marks, followed by Srigowri S. Kumar with 620, M. Nitin with 614, Prajna Anand with 610 and M. Vidya with 609 marks.

Vijayanagar BVB School maintained its tradition of cent percent results this year too, with all 155 students of the school who appeared for the exam, passing out with honours. While 103 students (66.5%) passed with distinction, the rest 52 (33.5%) passed out in First Class. Also, as many as 26 students scored 600 or more marks.

Twin sisters — Anjali Shastri and Aditi Shastri — brought honours to Marimallappa's High School securing identical marks of 619. They are the daughters of Venkataramana and Vinaya couple, residents of Agrahara in the city. Also, R. Bhumika of the same school scored 621 marks.

Kodagu Model School records cent percent result

The city's Kodagu Model School located in Vidyashankara Layout, Shaktinagar, has secured cent percent results in SSLC this year.

Four students of the school have scored high marks — M. Deepali Gowda (98.24%), S. Malavika (91.52%), Pavithra (89.6%) and R. Dhanush (88%) — thus bringing more laurels to the school.

The results can be viewed using the following website: ***https://karresults.nic.in***.

The exam result was also forwarded to the student's registered mobile number through SMS.

Sadvidya School (N.S. Road) Head Master Ramachandra Bhat (extreme left) greeting students who excelled in SSLC exams — (from left) Kavyashri (621/625 marks), Srigowri S. Kumar (620), Prajna Anand (610), M. Vidya (609) and M. Nitin (614 marks) — at the School premises in city this morning.

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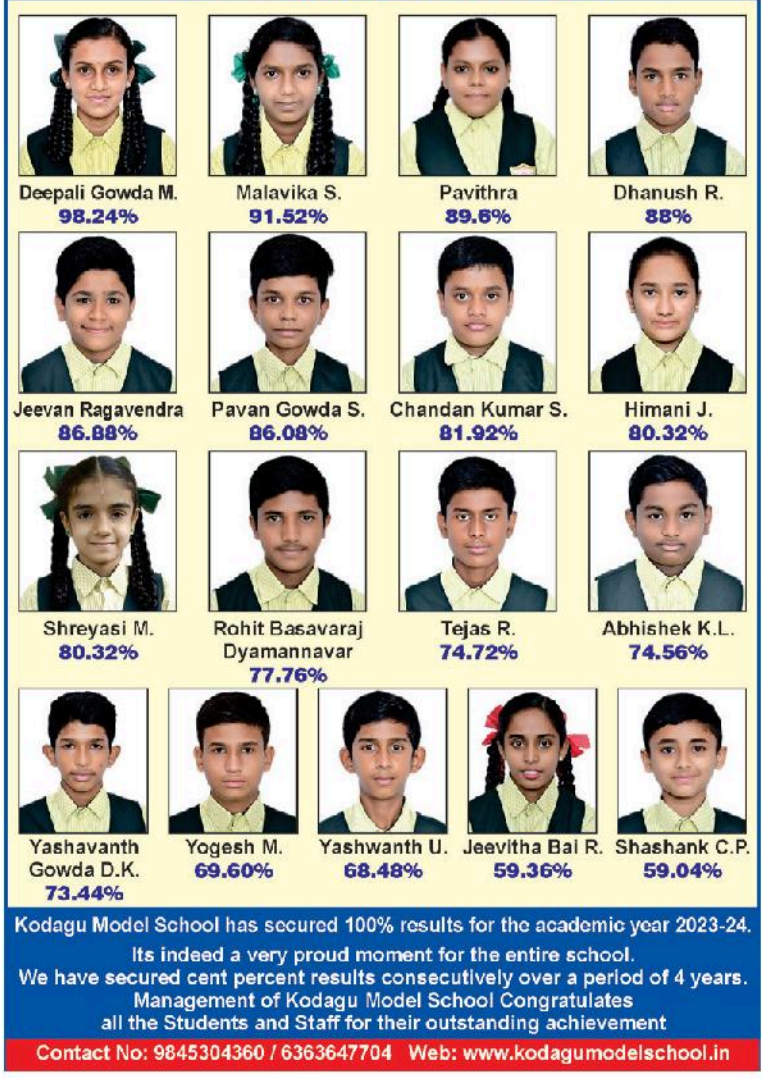

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Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival

Tuneful reverberating voice with full range

By Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

Vid. Vinay Sharva presenting vocal concert at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, on May 8 as part of 'Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival.' He is accompanied by Vidu. C.V. Shruthi on violin, Vid. A. Radhesh on mridanga and Vid. Sharath Kaushik on ghata.

Vid. Vinay Sharva, one of the leading young vocalists of Karnataka, gave an impressive vocal concert on the fourth day of 'Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival' at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, on May 8. He was accompanied by Mysuru artistes **Vidu. C.V. Shruthi** on violin, **Vid. A. Radhesh** on the mridanga and **Vid. Sharath Kaushik** on ghata.

What attracts one immediately in Vinay's singing is his voice. Vinay has a clear, booming, hypnotic and ethereal voice which keeps you captivating throughout. 'Chalamela jese' varna set to Adi tala composed by Tiruvotriyur Tyagayyar rendered in racy style set the mood for the concert. On request, 'Bhavanuta' by Tyagaraja was rendered, a composition which instrumentalists love to render rather than vocalists. The composition, prefixed by a short ragalapana, was lively, followed by brisk, intellectual swaras.

A student of the legend Nedanuri Krishnamurthy, Vinay invariably sings an Annamacharya composition in all his concerts, many of which have been set to tune by his Guru.

In this concert, 'BhAvamulona bhAgyamunandulu' of MS fame was his choice. Vinay's version of the composition was excellent with many impressive sangatis. In contrast to this, 'Shama Shastri's 'MarivEre gati', in which the composer implores the Goddess to protect him, was rendered in the right speed that the composition demands.

While one mostly heard Bhairavi, Shankarabharana, Simhendramadhyama and Keeravani these days, it was good to hear Thodi, which came as a pleasant surprise. And what surprised the listeners more was the composition chosen. RAmachandrAya namaste' is a composition hardly heard in concerts. Thodi raga was rendered brilliantly bringing out the beauty of the raga, Vinay's rich, vibrant voice ranging to the maximum in Tarasthayi with no difficulty. The composition is a beautiful one, though short, set to Mishra chapu tala. The beginning of the charanam 'Dashratha rAjakumarAya dandakAraNya vihArAya' was chosen for neraval and kalpanaswaras, which revealed Vinay's command on the laya aspects.

Young Shruthi from HKN school did well with her soft and sweet bowing. Radhesh and Sharath Kaushik added sheen to the concert by displaying their expertise.

The concert would have continued for half-an-hour more but for the unforeseen rain, which caused havoc to the artistes and listeners, who found it difficult to sit even under the shelter.

Unique style of Veena Concert

Vid. Ramana Balachandran presenting veena recital at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, on May 7 as part of 'Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival.' He is accompanied by Vid. Anantha R. Krishnan on mridanga and Vid. Guru Prasanna on kanjira.

Child prodigy **Vid. Ramana Balachandran** performed on the third day of 'Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival' at BSS Vidyodaya in Krishnamurthypuram, Mysuru, on May 7.

This boy from Bengaluru, who is trained both in veena playing and vocal music, is known for his unique style of playing. Ramana was accompanied by **Vid. Anantha R. Krishnan** on mridanga and **Vid. Guru Prasanna** on kanjira.

In Ramana's playing, ragas are interpreted in a variety of moods and structures as he explores them in alapanas and swaraprastaras. One always looks forward to Ramana's concerts as they are deeply rooted in classicism. He has discovered a number of playing techniques on his veena and his renditions that involve heightened repose while retaining phrasal richness are commendable.

While many performing instrumentalists do not know the full lyrics of the compositions they play, this boy sings along to express the lyrics that underlie the melody.

Ramana chose two ragas for elaboration and both the ragas were satisfying. Both the ragas — Hindola and Behag — focused on the emotions laden in the notes, thereby producing a pleasing evocation of the ragabhava.

While Hindola was pure joy to listen to, Behag, hardly chosen by musicians for detailed elaboration, brought wonders with his exploration, which dug deep into the raga.

Tyagaraja's 'Manasuloni marmamulu telusuko' was rich with familiar and unusual sangatis and the swarakalpana to the pallavi was highly intellectual, during which Ramana also allowed interesting conversational dialogues for the percussionists.

'Heccharika gA rA rA he RAmachandra' is a soulful composition of Tyagaraja, filled with emotive content. Ramana sang along the composition bringing the content to the notice of the listeners while also emphasising on the emotive appeal.

Behag was heavenly. Ramana unfurled the raga unhurriedly, through highly nuanced raga improvisations. The tanam was rich and immensely enjoyable with several unique structures. The Pallavi 'Sakala bhuvana nAyike varadAyike chamundEshwari' set to Khanda Chapu tala composed by Ramana himself followed expressive richness.

The detailed swarakalapana also included ragamalika swaras in Dhanyasi and Bagesri, allowing space for taniyavartana.

Anantha Krishnan and Guru Prasanna not only enjoyed Ramana's playing with expressive nods, but also excelled in their taniyavartana which brought huge applause from the audience.

In the miscellaneous section after Tani, Ramana played 'Entha cheluvage magaLanu kottanu GirirAjanu' by Purandaradasaru and a bhajan sung by Pt. Bhimsen Joshi 'Jaya Jagadeeshwari mAtA saraswati SharaNagati'. The concert concluded with 'aruNAchala shiva arunachala shiva' which imitated the tune of 'Govinda MAdhava gOpala kEshava' bhajan.

—Dr. Padmavathi Narasimhan

Bharatanatyam by father-daughters

Mysuru, May 9- As part of its decennial celebrations, **Mysore School of Architecture (MSA)** has organised 'Namma Habba' Cultural Festival on May 11 and 12 at its premises in city from 10.30 am to 8 pm.

The Festival will be inaugurated at 10.30 am on May 11 in the presence of several dignitaries.

The opening cultural programme will be presented by *Karnataka Kalashree* Dr. K. Kumar, a renowned music and dance maestro, Professor and Head of the Dance Department at the Mysore University College of Fine Arts.

He will be presenting a Bharatanatyam recital along with his daughters, 'Kalemane Sisters' K.M. Lekha and K.M. Nidhi.

Lekha is a 3rd year B.Arch student of MSA and Nidhi is pursuing 2nd year B.Com at Mysore Institute of Commerce and Arts (MYCAS), Mysuru.

Rejuvenation of Kukkarahalli Lake

Outsourcing DPR-preparation upsets environment activists

MUDA entrusts a New Delhi-based company to prepare Detailed Project Report for Rs. 63,80,000

Mysuru, May 9 (RK&BCT)- The decision by the Mysuru Urban Development Authority (MUDA) to assign the task of preparing a Detailed Project Report (DPR) for the revitalisation of Kukkarahalli Lake, situated in the heart of the city, to a company based in New Delhi has sparked outrage among environmental activists.

MUDA has commissioned the Principal Director of the Natural Heritage Division at the Indian National Trust for Art and Cultural Heritage (INTACH) in New Delhi to undertake the DPR, with a budget allocation of Rs. 63,80,000.

Former director of MUDA's City Planning Division, P.S. Nataraj, has criticised this move, stating that awarding the work order to INTACH without following proper tender procedures is unlawful. "None of the elected representatives, NGOs, organisations, environmental activists, or individuals who have previously advocated for the preservation of the Kukkarahalli Lake were consulted. MUDA has made a unilateral decision to entrust the DPR to a company based in Delhi," he said.

Nataraj voiced his concerns during a meeting convened at the MGP Office in Yadavagiri yesterday, which was organised to strategise for an upcoming meeting convened by the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner on May 20.

The primary agenda of the May 20 meeting is to deliberate on the rejuvenation of Kukkarahalli Lake. It is anticipated that a significant number of environmental activists, members of the public, and various stakeholders will participate in the May 20 discussion to devise effective strategies for preserving the lake, a vital green space within the city.

Poornaiah Canal primary freshwater source

Kukkarahalli Lake, spanning 49 hectares, requires urgent intervention to prevent sewage from entering its waters. The primary freshwater source for the lake is the Poornaiah Canal.

Additionally, water from Bommanahalli Lake, situated approximately 21 km away, contributes to the inflow of water into Kukkarahalli Lake. However, encroachments on the Rajakaluve, or stormwater drain, which serves as another vital water source for the Lake, have been observed at multiple locations. Activists said that despite repeated alerts to the authorities, action has yet to be taken to address these encroachments.

Bhamy V. Shenoy, the founding Working President of MGP, emphasised the importance of addressing both the rejuvenation of Kukkarahalli Lake and the clearance of encroachments on the Poornaiah Canal.

He noted that when Kukkarahalli Lake was thriving, the Poornaiah Canal was also in good condition. However, due to neglect from authorities, the influence of real estate interests, and public apathy, the Canal has suffered extensive encroachment over the years. He highlighted that out of its original 22-kilometre length, only 4 kilometres remain today.

Shenoy recalled multiple proposals submitted during past meetings with Deputy Commissioners, advocating for the restoration of the Poornaiah Canal. He suggested that with concerted efforts, encroachments could be cleared in some areas, while alternative routes could be established for water flow where removal is not feasible.

Although acknowledging the technical challenges and costs involved, he emphasised that investing in such efforts to save the lake would be worthwhile.

MGP President Shobhana Sambashivam, members Ashwathnarayan, Kiran Kumar and others were present.

Foundation demands clearance of Poornaiah Canal encroachment

Mysuru, May 9 (GA&DM)- The Rashtrakanthi Foundation has urgently demanded the clearance of encroachments on the Poornaiah Canal.

During a recent press conference, Foundation President G.M. Mahadeva highlighted that despite a 2017 High Court order mandating the removal of encroachments on the Poornaiah Canal, the District Administration has inexplicably delayed action.

Spanning 22 kilometres and traversing through Bogadi, Basavanahalli, Dasanakoppalu, Maratikyathanahalli, Hinkal, Madahalli, Huyilalu, and other areas, the canal is estimated to be a public asset valued at over Rs. 1,200 crore.

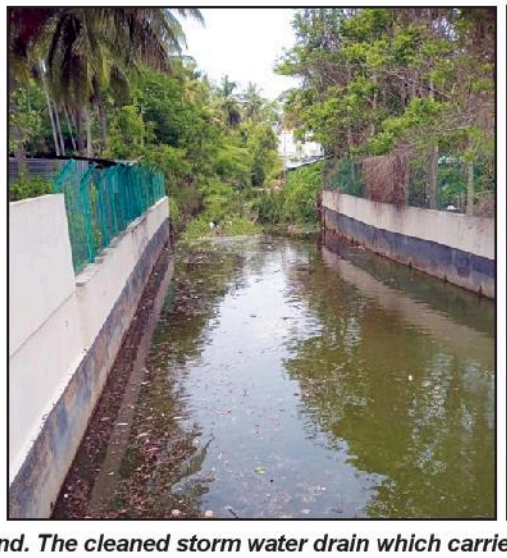
However, affluent individuals have encroached upon it over decades, rendering the High Court's order ineffective. Numerous appeals to authorities for the clearance of encroachments have fallen on deaf ears, lamented Mahadeva.

He implored the Government to initiate disciplinary action against those responsible for the delays and enforce the removal of encroachments as per the High Court's directive.

Foundation members D. Manjunath, C. Kumaraswamy and M.B. Kumaraswamy were present at the press conference.

Hootagalli CMC clears dead fish from Hebbal Lake

Blockages in storm water drains to be cleared today



Collected waste dumped on the Lake bund. The cleaned storm water drain which carries rain water to the Lake. Hootagalli CMC staff on coracle to clear wastes.

Mysuru, May 9 (RK&KS)- Hootagalli City Municipal Council (CMC) have cleared thousands of dead fish which were found floating in the Lake. The dead fish were cleared using coracles and other means by the Hootagalli CMC staff yesterday. The dead fish were collected and buried deep in the ground.

Hootagalli CMC Commissioner B.N. Chandrashekar, speaking to *Star of Mysore* this morning said that discarded plastic bottles, other wastes and weeds, which were chocking the flow of rain water from the storm water drain to the Lake was taken up yesterday and will be completed today.

The CMC Commissioner also said that he had instructed the CMC officials to find out if industrial effluents were being let into the Lake and if found, the flow will be blocked and the officials will visit that particular industry and instruct the industry authorities to arrest the flow of industrial effluents into the Lake, failing which legal action would be initiated.

Chandrashekar also said that boards with messages not to throw empty plastic bottles and covers in the Lake premises will be installed around the Lake which will also act as a warning to those discarding wastes of all types near the Lake.

MYSORE TRAIN TIMINGS

FROM MYSURU RAILWAY STATION TOWARDS KSR BENGALURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Mysuru Departure	Bengaluru Arrival	Days of Service
16586	Murudeshwar	KSR Bengaluru	3.45 am	6.15 am	Daily
12610	Mysuru	Chennai	5.00 am	7.50 am	Daily
16217	Mysuru	Shirdi	5.20 am	8.00 am	Monday
17326	Mysuru	Belagavi	5.40 am	8.40 am	Daily
20663	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	6.00 am	7.45 am	Except Wed Vande Bharat
16215	Mysuru	Bengaluru	6.45 am	9.35 am	Daily
22687	Mysuru	Varanasi	7.30 am	9.55 am	Tue & Thu
20623	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	8.20 am	10.50 am	Daily
07345	Chamarajanagar	KSR Bengaluru	9.05 am	12.50 pm	Daily Passenger
19668	Mysuru	Udaipur	10.00 am	12.10 pm	Thu [Humsafar Exp]
12975	Mysuru	Jaipur	10.30 am	12.55 pm	Thu & Sat
12578	Mysuru	Darbhanga	10.30 am	1.35 pm	Friday
12613	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	11.30 am	2.00 pm	Daily
16315	Mysuru	Kochuveli	12.45 pm	4.35 pm	Daily
20608	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	1.05 pm	2.50 pm	Except Wed. Vande Bharat
17307	Mysuru	Bagalkot	1.25 pm	4.30 pm	Daily
06258	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	1.45 pm	5.00 pm	Daily Passenger
12008	Mysuru	MGR Chennai	2.15 pm	4.15 pm	Except Wed
20659	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	2.50 pm	5.20 pm	Daily
12786	Mysuru	Kacheguda	3.15 pm	5.40 pm	Daily
16535	Mysuru	Pandharpur	3.30 pm	6.00 pm	Daily
16232	Mysuru	Mayiladuturai	4.15 pm	6.45 pm	Daily
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	4.55 pm	8.20 pm	Daily
16236	Mysuru	Tuticorin	6.20 pm	8.55 pm	Daily
06237	Mysuru	Manamadurai	6.35 pm	9.15 pm	Mon
16592	Mysuru	Hubballi	6.50 pm	9.40 pm	Daily
16210	Mysuru	Ajmer	7.10 pm	10.10 pm	Tue & Thu
16227	Mysuru	Talguppa	7.30 pm	10.30 pm	Daily
06526	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	7.50 pm	11.05 pm	Daily
22681	Mysuru	Chennai	8.15 pm	10.50 pm	Wednesday
16022	Mysuru	Chennai	9.00 pm	11.45 pm	Daily
06269	Mysuru	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	9.50 pm	12.45 am	Daily
06560	Mysuru	KSR Bengaluru	10.25 pm	1.15 am	Daily
22135	Mysuru	Renigunta	11.00 pm	1.30 am	Friday
22818	Mysuru	Howrah	11.45 pm	2.00 am	Sunday

DEPARTING FROM KSR BENGALURU AND ARRIVING MYSURU

Train No.	From Station	To Station	Bengaluru Departure	Mysuru Arrival	Days of Service from Bengaluru
06270	SMVT Baiyyappanahalli	Mysuru	12.15 am	4.30 am	Daily
16218	Shirdi	Mysuru	12.55 am	3.20 am	Thursday
22817	Howrah	Mysuru	1.03 am	3.25 am	Sunday
06559	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	2.05 am	5.15 am	Daily Passenger
16021	Chennai	Mysuru	4.00 am	6.40 am	Daily
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	4.30 am	7.00 am	Daily
16228	Talguppa	Mysuru	5.05 am	8.20 am	Daily
22682	Chennai	Mysuru	5.25 am	7.45 am	Friday
16231	Mayiladuturai	Mysuru	5.45 am	8.35 am	Daily
16591	Hubballi	Mysuru	6.00 am	8.50 am	Daily
12785	Kacheguda	Mysuru	6.35 am	9.30 am	Daily
16235	Tuticorin	Mysuru	7.15 am	10.20 am	Daily
16536	Solapur	Mysuru	8.00 am	10.45 am	Daily
17308	Bagalkot	Mysuru	8.20 am	11.45 am	Daily
16316	Kochuveli	Mysuru	8.35 am	11.15 am	Daily
06257	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	9.15 am	1.30 pm	Daily Passenger
20607	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.15 am	12.20 pm	Except Wed. Vande Bharat
12007	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	10.45 am	1.00 pm	Except Wed
20660	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	11.30 am	2.00 pm	Daily
12976	Jaipur	Mysuru	1.15 pm	4.00 pm	Wed & Fri
19667	Udaipur	Mysuru	1.30 pm	4.40 pm	Wed [Humsafar Exp]
20624	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	1.50 pm	4.20 pm	Daily
12614	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	3.15 pm	5.45 pm	Daily
07346	KSR Bengaluru	Chamarajanagar	3.35 pm	6.35 pm	Daily Passenger
06525	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	4.45 pm	7.40 pm	Daily Passenger
12577	Darbhanga	Mysuru	5.15 pm	8.00 pm	Thursday
17325	Belagavi	Mysuru	5.45 pm	8.40 pm	Daily
16216	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	6.15 pm	9.05 pm	Daily
22688	Varanasi	Mysuru	6.35 pm	10.00 pm	Mon & Sat
06255	KSR Bengaluru	Mysuru	7.00 pm	10.15 pm	Daily
12609	Chennai	Mysuru	8.50 pm	10.50 pm	Daily
16585	KSR Bengaluru	Mangaluru	9.00 pm	11.20 pm	Daily Except Friday
20664	MGR Chennai	Mysuru	9.30 pm	11.30 pm	Except Wed Vande Bharat
22136	Renigunta	Mysuru	11.15 pm	1.35 am	Saturday
06238	Manamadurai	Mysuru	11.15 pm	1.55 am	Tue
16209	Ajmer	Mysuru	11.50 pm	2.15 am	Tue & Sun

TOWARDS HASSAN, ARSIKERE, SHIVAMOGGA, DAVANGERE, HAVERI, HUBBALLI, DADAR, NEW DELHI & BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
16206	Mysuru	Talguppa	6.00 am	1.15 pm	Daily
11036	Mysuru	Dadar	6.15 am	5.35 am (next day)	Sunday (Mysuru)
06268 (Exp)	Mysuru	Arsikere	6.30 am	10.25 am	Daily
16208	Mysuru	Yesvantpur	7.15 am	10.10 am (Hassan)	Daily
16225	Mysuru	Shivamogga	10.15 am	4.25 pm	Daily
16222	Mysuru	Talguppa	2.00 pm	11.30 pm	Daily
06214	Mysuru	Arsikere	5.45 pm	9.50 pm	Daily
12781	Mysuru	Hazrat Nizamuddin	7.30 pm (Fri)	6.45 pm (Sun)	Friday
17301	Mysuru	Belagavi	9.30 pm	8.45 am	Daily
16585	Mysuru	Murdeshwar	11.40 pm	12.55 am	Daily
17302	Belagavi	Mysuru	6.00 pm	5.55 am	Daily
06213	Arsikere	Mysuru	5.00 pm	9.25 am	Daily
16226	Shivamogga	Mysuru	11.15 am	4.50 pm	Daily
16207 (Exp)	Yesvantpur	Mysuru	4.45 pm (Hassan)	8.10 pm	Daily
06267	Arsikere	Mysuru	5.30 pm	9.20 pm	Daily
11035	Dadar	Mysuru	9.30 pm	9.50 pm (next day)	Thursday (Dadar)
16221	Talguppa	Mysuru	6.15 am	3.35 pm	Daily
16205	Talguppa	Mysuru	2.50 pm	10.30 pm	Daily
12782	Hazrat Nizamuddin	Mysuru	5.10 am (Mon)	2.20 am (Wed)	Monday
16586	Murdeshwar	Mysuru	2.10 pm	3.30 am	Daily

TOWARDS MYSURU TO CHAMARAJANAGAR AND BACK

Train	From Station	To Station	Departure	Arrival	Days of Service
07327	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	5.00 am	6.35 am	Daily Passenger
16220	Tirupati	Chamarajanagar	7.20 am (Mys)	9.10 am	Daily
06233	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	8.20 am	10.10 am	Daily Passenger
06300	Mysuru	Nanjangud	9.15 am	10.05 am	Daily
06276	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	12.00 pm	1.45 pm	Daily
06543	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	3.45 pm	5.20 pm	Daily
07346	Mysuru	Chamarajanagar	6.40 pm	8.40 pm	Daily
07345	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	7.15 am	9.00 am	Daily
06299	Nanjangud	Mysuru	10.40 am	11.30 am	Daily
06234	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	10.40 am	12.30 pm	Daily Passenger
16219	Chamarajanagar	Tirupati	3.30 pm	4.45 pm	Daily
06275	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	5.25 pm	7.15 pm	Daily
06544	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	8.45 pm	10.30 pm	Daily
07328	Chamarajanagar	Mysuru	9.30 pm	11.10 pm	Daily Passenger

Bandipur's 'Yuva Mitra' in India Book of Records

Mysuru, May 9 (MTY&BCT)- The 'Yuva Mitra' programme, initiated by the Forest Department at Bandipur Tiger Reserve to educate students about forests and environmental conservation, has earned a place in the India Book of Records.

Distinguished by its unparalleled participation, the programme saw a remarkable turnout nationwide. A total of 8,410 individuals, comprising 7,019 students, 655 teachers, 197 Gram Panchayat members, 395 local farmers and 143 tribal community members, actively engaged in the initiative. Over the period from Mar. 3, 2023 to Mar. 8, 2024, a comprehensive series of 162 awareness sessions on forest conservation were conducted.

The programme demonstrates forest and wildlife citizenship qualities through positive change in behaviour and action at individual, school, family and community levels. Not only students, but also teachers, Principals, parents and all those who demonstrate these qualities become 'Yuva Mitras.'

Initiated under the leadership of Dr. P. Ramesh Kumar, during his tenure as the Bandipur Director (he is currently serving as Conservator of Forests - Project Tiger, Mysuru) 'Yuva Mitra' commenced in 2023, coinciding with the Golden Jubilee of Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

Dr. Ramesh Kumar accepted this honour along with ACF Navin Kumar, RFO Deepa, 'Yuva Mitra' Education Officer Mohan, safari guides Manju and Dharma.

This endeavour provides students with free safari and nature education. A notable feature is issuance of 'Environment Volunteer' identity cards to participating students, emphasising their role as custodians of environmental stewardship.

The programme envisages providing an opportunity for underprivileged students to explore, understand, experience and learn more about Bandipur and its wildlife in the context of their immediate surroundings. It will promote a learning-by-exploring approach through field visits and curriculum transactions related to forest, wildlife, forest ecosystem services and their conservation importance.

Originally tailored for students, the programme's scope was later expanded to include local Gram Panchayat staff, farmers and tribal communities.

Workshop on conservation of bees environment held

Dr. Padma Sudarshan addressing the participants of bee-keeping workshop.

Mysuru, May 9 (BCT)- Farmer's House, Mysuru, in collaboration with Agriculture, Rural Development and Environmental Awareness (ARDEA) Foundation in Mumbai and The Hive Trust in Bengaluru, conducted a workshop in city on Apr. 28 to raise awareness about the impact of urbanisation on bee population and importance of conserving bees in urban environments.

The workshop drew a significant turnout from individuals interested in farming, bee-keeping and biodiversity conservation amidst urban challenges.

Dr. Padma Sudarshan, representing Farmer's House and serving as a member of the Advisory Committee of National Honey Mission, coordinated the workshop. With her extensive involvement in national bee conservation policies, she elucidated how urban interest in bee-keeping is emerging as an environmental priority.

She underscored the significance of establishing a nationwide network for bees, emphasising support for bee population across rural, urban and wilderness areas.

Apoorva, Chairman of The Hive Trust, provided insights into bee-keeping practices, detailing suitable species for cultivation and their methodologies. He offered a demonstration on the construction of bee boxes, hive structures and honey extraction procedures. He also highlighted the alarming statistics that in cities like Bengaluru alone, over 300 natural beehives are destroyed daily due to smoke. Apoorva urged participants to initiate bee box installations in residential areas, offering assistance as needed.

The workshop concluded with attendees expressing interest in pursuing bee-keeping. Organisers announced plans for another workshop on 'Urban Bee-keeping,' featuring live demonstrations on rearing bees and harvesting honey.

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- **Woodlands Theatre** — Ph: 2422871
  Kangaroo (K) - 4 Shows
- **Padma Theatre** — Ph: 2521923
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- **Thibbadevi Theatre** — Ph: 2452958
  Billa (Ta) - 4 Shows
- **Mahadeshwara Theatre** — Mob: 99008-20093
  Marakastra (K) - 4 Shows
- **Gayathri Theatre** — Ph: 2443568
  Yuva (K) - 4 Shows
- **Lido Theatre** — Ph: 2420885
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- **Sangam Theatre** — Ph: 2520494
  Usire Usire (K) - 4 Shows
- **Prabha Theatre** — Mob: 98454-14691
  Maaranaayudham (Te) - 4 Shows
- **Rajkamal Theatre** — Ph: 2423554
  Aranmanai 4 (Ta) - 4 Shows

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Kung Fu Panda 4 (E-3D)	(S-1)	11.30 am
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	(S-1)	1.40 pm
Ghillie (Ta)	(S-1)	4 pm
The Fall Guy (E)	(S-1)	7.10 pm, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	11.10 am, 4.35 pm
Anjaam Vedham (Ma)	(S-2)	11 am
O2 (K)	(S-2)	1.45 pm
Usire Usire (K)	(S-2)	4.05 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	(S-2)	7.05 pm
Nadikar (Ma)	(S-2)	10.05 pm
Kangaroo (K)	(S-3)	11 am
Billa (Ta)	(S-3)	1.35 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	(S-3)	4.20 pm, 10.05 pm
Prasannavadhanam (Te)	(S-3)	7.15 pm
Sabari (Te)	(S-4)	1.50 pm
Malayalee from India (Ma)	(S-4)	7.10 pm
Aa Okkatti Adakku (Te)	(S-4)	10.15 pm

MYSURU VISION CINEMAS — Ph: 0821 - 2973519

Yuva (K)	:	1 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	1.10 pm, 6.45 pm
Matinee (K)	:	1.15 pm
Usire Usire (K)	:	4 pm, 9.15 pm
Kangaroo (K)	:	4.05 pm
Prasanna Vadanam (Te)	:	6.40 pm
Godzilla X Kong: New Empire (E-3D)	:	6.55 pm
Anjaam Vedham (Ma)	:	9.30 pm
Kurangu Pedal (Ta)	:	9.30 pm

PVR CINEMAS — 4K Dolby 7.1

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The Fall Guy (E)	:	9.35 am, 12.25 pm
		6.40 pm, 9.30 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	10 am, 4.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	11.30 am
Kangaroo (K)	:	12.15 pm
Aa Okkati Adakku (Te)	:	12.50 pm
Nadikar (Ma)	:	1.10 pm, 7.25 pm, 9.45 pm
Godzilla vs. Kong (E)	:	3.05 pm
Malayalee from India (Ma)	:	3.15 pm
Tarot (E)	:	3.45 pm, 9.20 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	:	6 pm
Naach Ga Ghuma (Ma)	:	6.45 pm

1st Floor, Garuda Mall. Mob: 9901373210

The Fall Guy (E)	:	10.40 am, 1.30 pm, 7.25 pm
Aranmanai 2 (Ta)	:	11.25 am, 6.20 pm, 9.30 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	2.35 pm
Usire Usire (K)	:	3.10 pm
Prasanna Vadanam (Te)	:	4.20 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	:	10.15 pm

'Dr. Raj' Award Presentation and Kavigoshti

Dhananjay *Dr. Poornima* *K. Ramesh* *Dr. R.D. Kumar* *Ramesh Kumar* *Bhagyalakshmi*

Dr. Rajkumar

Mysuru, May 9- As part of Thespian Dr. Rajkumar's birth anniversary celebrations, Incharа Samskrutika Pratishtana, Mysuru, will be conferring 'Dr. Raj Sadhana Prashasti' on six achievers from various fields — N. Dhananjay (amateur theatre), Dr. Poornima Madhusudan (Medical), K. Ramesh (Literature), Dr. R.D. Kumar (Law and Organisation), Ramesh Kumar aka Junior Rajkumar (Singing) and Bhagyalakshmi (Bharatanatyam).

The awards ceremony will be held at Namana Kala Mantapa in Krishnamurthypuram on May 12 at 10.30 am, in association with Hoysala Kannada Sangha & Savigannada Patrika Balaga.

'Dr. Raj Kavya Gowrava Kavigoshti'

On the occasion, 'Dr. Raj Kavya Gowrava Kavigoshti' has been organised during which invited 20 poets will render poems written on Dr. Rajkumar.

For further details and those willing to take part in the Kavigoshti, may contact Mob: 98457-91252, according to a press release.

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 9)

- **Malabar Gold & Diamonds, Mysuru:** 'Artistry Show - Art in Every Jewel,' an expo-cum-sale of exquisite jewellery, Mysuru Showroom, B.N. Road, near KSRTC Sub-urban Bus Stand, **up to 9 pm.**
- **District Kannada Sahitya Parishat, Mysuru:** Paying tribute to late MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad, Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Prof. Nilagiri Talwar, Dr. C. Naganna, Dr. Y.D. Rajanna, M. Chandrashekar, Rajashekar Kadamba, Jayappa Honnalli and others will be present, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat auditorium, Vijayanagar, **4.30 pm.**
- **Janasevaka Yuva Brigade:** Basava Jayanti celebrations, 'Kayakayogi Basava Sri Award' presentation to achievers of various fields — Prof. Sadhana Tantri (Education), Mahesh Kumar (Organising), Maya Shanbhag (Social), S.E. Girish (Health) and Mahendra Singh Kalappa (Environment) — BJP leader Kaveesh Gowda, Arun Gowda, Mysuru Hotel Owners' Association President Narayanagowda, Suyog Hospital Chairman Dr. S.P. Yoganna and others chief guests, Ganapathi Temple premises, Roopanagar, **5.30 pm.**
- **Vishwa Mythri Buddha Vihar:** Nudi Namana to late MP V. Sreenivasa Prasad, retd. Professor C. Naganna, Prof. D. Anand of Mysore University, former Mayor Putushottam will be present, Vishwa Mythri Buddha Vihar, near Ashoka Circle (Ballal Circle), **6 pm.**
- **BSS Vidyodaya (formerly Bhagini Seva Samaja):** Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival, flute recital by Vid. Chandan Kumar, accompanied by Vid. Gokul on violin, Vid. Sai Giridhar on mridanga and Vid. G.S. Ramanujam on ghata, BSS Vidyodaya premises, next to Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**
- **Sri Nataraja Pratishtana, Sri Hosmutt:** Basava Jayanti celebrations, Vachana Gayana by Choodamani, KR Sub-Division Assistant Commissioner of Police (ACP) H.B. Ramesh Kumar inaugurates, **7 pm;** Prasada, Sri Hosmutt, **9 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 10)

- **Jagatika Lingayata Mahasabha, Mysuru District Unit:** Basava Jayanti celebrations, Eshta Linga Deekshe programme, Basava Kendra, Basaveshwara Road, K.R. Mohalla, **7 am to 8 am.**
- **Kannada Geleyara Balaga, Bengaluru:** Conferring of 'Dr. M. Chidananda Murthy Kannada Samskruti Award' on noted writer Dr. D.S. Jayappa Gowda of Mysuru by Kannada Development Authority Secretary Dr. Santhosh Hangal, Senior Researcher Dr. R. Seshashastri presides, residence of Dr. Jayappa Gowda, 1st Main Road, 4th Stage, T.K. Layout, Mysuru, **10.30 am.**
- **Malabar Gold & Diamonds, Mysuru:** 'Artistry Show - Art in Every Jewel,' an expo-cum-sale of exquisite jewellery, Mysuru Showroom, B.N. Road, near KSRTC Sub-urban Bus Stand, **11 am to 9 pm.**
- **BSS Vidyodaya (formerly Bhagini Seva Samaja):** Bhagini Ramotsava - Music Festival, vocal concert by Vid. Dr. Vidyabhushan, accompanied by Vid. Pradeshachar on violin, Vid. Shivashankar Swamy on mridanga and Vid. M.R. Manjunath on ghata, BSS Vidyodaya premises, next to Raghavendra Swamy Mutt, Krishnamurthypuram, **6.30 pm to 9 pm.**

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Trailers Screening Show	:	11 am
Aa Okkati Adakku (Te)	:	11.40 am
Yuva (K)	:	11.55 am, 5.45 pm
The Fall Guy (E)	:	1.55 pm, 7.15 pm, 10 pm
Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	2.35 pm, 9 pm
Nadikar (Ma)	:	3.10 pm, 9.30 pm
Malayalee From India (Ma)	:	6.15 pm

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Aranmanai 4 (Ta)	:	11.45 am, 5.50 pm
Trailers Screening Show	:	12.10 pm
Kangaroo (K)	:	12.50 pm
The Fall Guy (E)	:	1.55 pm, 7.45 pm, 9 pm
Manjummel Boys (Ma)	:	2.55 pm
Usire Usire (K)	:	3.40 pm
Prasanna Vadanam (Te)	:	4.40 pm
Aavesham (Ma)	:	6.50 pm
Malayalee From India (Ma)	:	10.10 pm
Nadikar (Ma)	:	10.30 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15.

WORD OF THE DAY

Plangent

Pronunciation: PLAN-junt (Adjective)
Meaning: Something, such as a sound, that is described as plangent is loud, deep, and often expressive of sadness or suffering. The word is a synonym of plaintive.
Origin: Plangent adds power to our poetry and prose: the pounding of waves, the beat of wings, the tolling of a bell, the throbbing of the human heart, a lover's knocking at the door—all have been described as plangent. The word plangent traces back to the Latin verb plangere, which has two meanings. The first of those meanings, "to strike or beat," was sometimes used by Latin speakers in reference to striking one's breast in grief. This led to the verb's second meaning, "to lament." The sense division carried over to the Latin adjective plangens and then into English, giving us two distinct meanings of plangent: "pounding" (as in "the plangent roar of waves") and "expressive of woe, grief, or melancholy." Like its synonym plaintive, plangent is often used to describe sounds, from bittersweet melodies to the wails of mourners, evoking deep and heartfelt sadness.
Example: "Adjuah sings in a keening, plangent tone, but at one point he pauses to offer a spoken invitation: 'Listen to the wind,' he says. 'The voices calling to you from yesterday.'" — Giovanni Russonello, The New York Times, 30 June 2023

THE ODD WORD

Quotidian

Something that happens daily.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Wet behind the ears

Meaning: The meaning of the phrase "Wet behind the ears" is someone who is very young, naive and inexperienced.
Origin: The origin of the phrase "Wet behind the ears" is debatable. Some say it comes from newborn babies who enter the world surrounded by amniotic fluid. Others say the phrase may have originated from newborn farm animals, where the mother has to lick the newborn dry, and one of the last places she dries is the area behind the ears. However the difference between the two, is the fact that when human babies are born, they are helpless, vulnerable and premature, relative to other species.
Example: "I can't believe they decided to promote Kelly. If you ask me, I think she's still wet behind the ears".

QUOTE BOX

Problems are not the problem; coping is the problem. **—Virginia Satir**

RIDDLE THIS

What 4-letter word can be written forward, backward or upside down, and can still be read from left to right?

Answer: NOON.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

1 Stitched joint
5 Burgle
10 Tropical disease
13 Wholeness
14 Tapering stone pillar
15 Gaze intently
16 Insipid
18 U.F.O. pilots
19 Dutch commune
20 An Indian of Amazon basin
24 Muslim festival
27 ___ ___ ___ the world : exuberant ? (2,3,2)
29 Submit (4,2)
32 Misgivings
33 Patella
35 Blunder, make a mistake
36 Star Wars character
37 More than one "Thanks", colloquially speaking ?
39 Love story (1953) of Raj Kapoor and Nergis?
42 Death rate
45 Florida city
49 Fooled or deceived
50 Vows
51 Supervise
52 English racecourse
53 Narrower part of a bottle

DOWN

1 Sodium chloride
2 Canal or Lake
3 Church passageway
4 Improvise (4,2)
5 Investigate
6 It can move mountains
7 Electronic Industries Assoc.
8 Air Transp. Radio
9 Cleaning agent
10 Speck - "tome" anagram?
11 Take _ ___ in your hand.... and hit a four, maybe (1,3)
12 Diminished
17 Transmit
20 Excursion
21 Reproaches severly - "Raids pub" anagram?
22 Container of ink, jam, glue, etc.
23 Uncertainties
25 A thought or mental picture
26 599 for the Romans
28 Part of a shoe
29 It is traditionally blue ?
30 Rock musician Brian
31 Alliance formed in 1949
34 Forgiveness
38 Umpire Bucknor
40 It fits to _ ___ (it fits perfectly) (1,3)
41 Jekyll's alter ego
42 Fog
43 Ex-English wicket keeper Stewart
44 Linger furtively
45 Extinct flightless bird of New Zealand
46 Ind. Admin. Ser.
47 Air traffic control
48 Electrical conductance unit

TUESDAY'S ANSWER

■	■	T	A	S	■	■	P	C	B	■	■	■
■	N	Y	M	P	H	■	L	A	R	G	E	■
P	A	R	O	L	E	■	O	R	I	E	L	■
I	B	E	R	I	A	■	T	E	N	N	I	S
E	S	S	■	C	L	A	S	S	■	E	X	O
■	■	■	N	E	T	S	■	■	E	V	I	L
■	G	A	N	D	H	I	N	A	G	A	R	■
R	U	S	E	■	■	D	O	D	O	■	■	■
N	I	T	■	T	H	E	T	A	■	D	I	G
S	T	U	D	I	O	■	I	G	N	I	T	E
■	A	T	O	L	L	■	N	I	E	C	E	S
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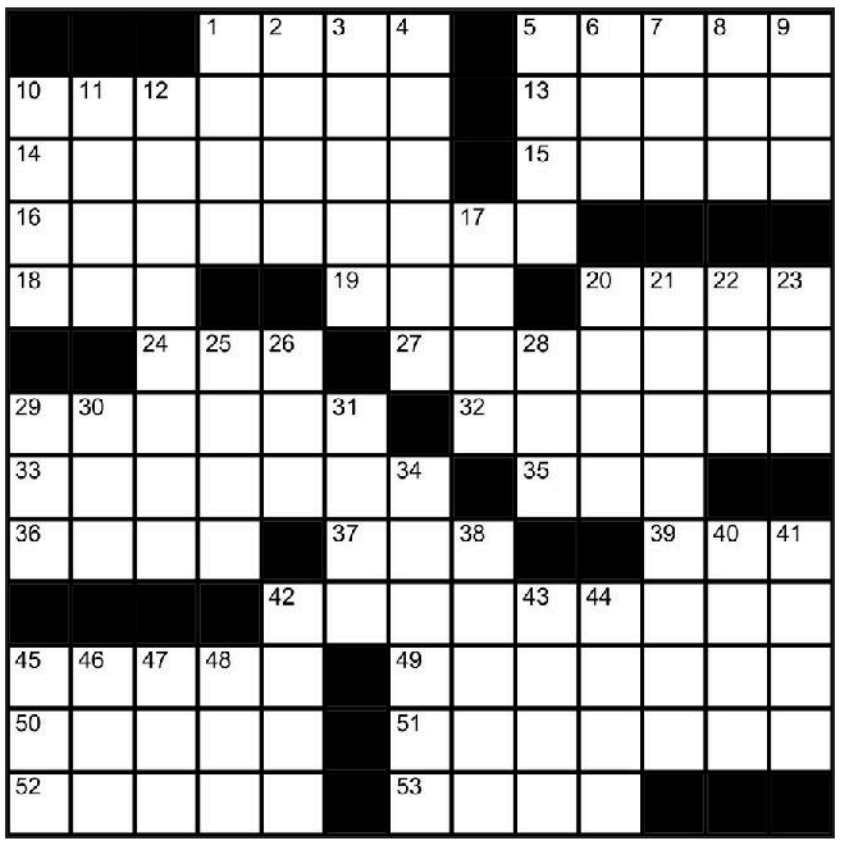

SUDOKU

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		9			3			1
3	8	1						
			7		4			
						1	2	5
4			8			9		
				3		8		
	5						6	4

Answer to previous puzzle

5	9	7	1	2	6	4	8	3
2	6	1	4	8	3	9	7	5
3	8	4	9	5	7	6	2	1
1	3	8	6	9	5	7	4	2
4	5	2	3	7	8	1	6	9
9	7	6	2	4	1	3	5	8
8	2	3	7	6	9	5	1	4
7	1	5	8	3	4	2	9	6
6	4	9	5	1	2	8	3	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

XU'F ZDNU ZL QLNPO NMULP ZL UDXOY

ZL YOSZ XU NQQ UDNU HSAOUF.

TODAY'S CLUE: Z EQUALS W

Tuesday's Cryptoquip: An economist is a man who states the obvious in terms of the incomprehensible.

May Day: BAI holds sports meet for construction workers, fetes artisans

Ten artisans, who were honoured in the field of different capacities in construction industry — (sitting from left) Marigowda, Mason, Srinidhi Constructions; S. Manjunath, Carpenter, S. Vasudevan Co.; Krishna, Mason, SLV Constructions; Mahadeva Prabhu, Painter, S. Vasudevan Co.; Shivamallappa, Plumber, Malaya Consultants; Chikkanna, Mastery, Sharp Engineers; Shivakumar, Painter, Malaya Consultants; K. Ravi Kumar, Barbender, Raker Infra; Shivarudrappa, Mason, New Tech Constructions and M.C. Sunil Kumar, Painter, Pal Brothers — are seen with (standing from left) D. Ashwatha, CWWC Coordinator; B. Sivakumar, CWWC Coordinator; K.R. Prabhakara Rao, Hon. Secretary, BAI Mysore Centre 2024-25; G.V. Balu, CWWC Coordinator; S. Vasudevan, CWWC Coordinator; H. Ashwathanarayana, CWWC Coordinator; A.S. Yoganarasimha, Chairman, BAI Mysore Centre 2024-25; M.C. Mallikarjuna, Managing Trustee, MBCT; Chief guest Dr. S.B. Ravikumar, Assistant Commissioner, Labour Department, Bengaluru; Guests of honour Thukali Santhosh of Bigg Boss fame and his wife Manasa Santhosh; Ramadevi Srikanth, Spoorthi President 2024-25; Jahnavi Dinesh, Spoorthi Hon. Secretary 2024-25; Lalitha Mohan, Spoorthi EC Member; Rekha Prakash, Spoorthi EC Member; Ramya Lokesh, Spoorthi Member and N. Lokesh, BAI EC Member.

Mysuru, May 9- Builders' Association of India (BAI), Mysore Centre, had organised May Day celebrations in a grand manner with more than 200 construction workers and their family participating in the sports meet held at Maharshi Public School Grounds at 9.30 am. Later artisans were honoured at an event held at Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT) auditorium in Vishweshwaranagar.

Sports Meet was inaugurated by MBCT Managing Trustee M.C. Mallikarjuna by throwing the shot-put ball.

Later all the construction workers and their family members went in a procession from Maharshi School Ground to MBCT Auditorium.

Archana rendered the invocation. A.S. Yoganarasimha, Chairman, BAI Mysore, welcomed.

M.C. Mallikarjuna asked the working class to utilise the benefits of medical treatment and medicines given to them by the MBCT and BAI.

Ramadevi Srikanth, President of Spoorthi, the ladies wing of BAI, briefed about the activities of Spoorthi and requested the construction workers to utilise the medical health check-up camps and training programmes conducted by Spoorthi in association with BAI.

Chief guest Dr. S.B. Ravikumar, Assistant Labour Commissioner, Bengaluru, spoke about various schemes available for workers.

Guest of honour Thukali Santhosh of Bigg Boss fame and his wife Manasa Santhosh, speaking on the occasion, lauded the BAI for conducting May Day function, identifying and awarding the artisans, encouraging the working colleagues by organising sports events and conducting health camps for the benefit of workers and their families.

Celebrities entertained the audience with mimicry, which was an added attraction.

Ten artisans, who have done meritorious works in the field of construction industry in different capacities, were honoured on the occasion. Prizes were distributed by the chief guest to the winners of various sports events.

Hon. Secretary K.R. Prabhakara Rao proposed a vote of thanks. Spoorthi Member Jyothi Prabhu compered.

May 20 deadline to apply for student scholarship

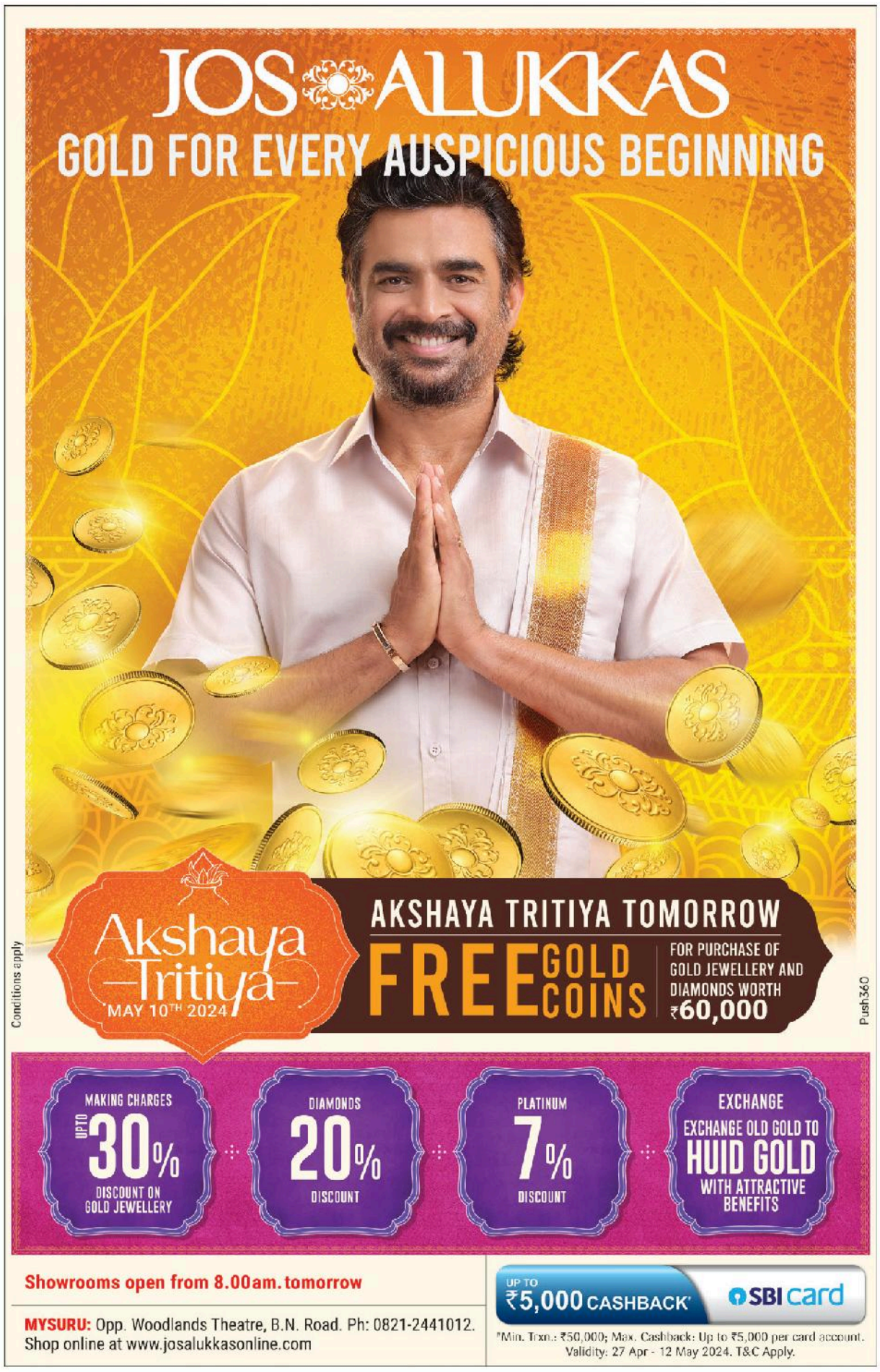
Mysuru, May 9- The Social Welfare Department has invited applications from eligible SC Community students for availing Post-Matric student scholarship.

The annual income of parents of the applicants must not exceed Rs. 2.5 lakh. The last date for applying is May 20.

The students must apply through — *www.ssp.postmatric.karnataka.gov.in* portal before May 20.

The applicants must have seeded their Aadhaar card number with their bank account in NPCI (National Payment Corporation of India).

For more details, call Ph: 0821-2520910, according to a press release from the Department.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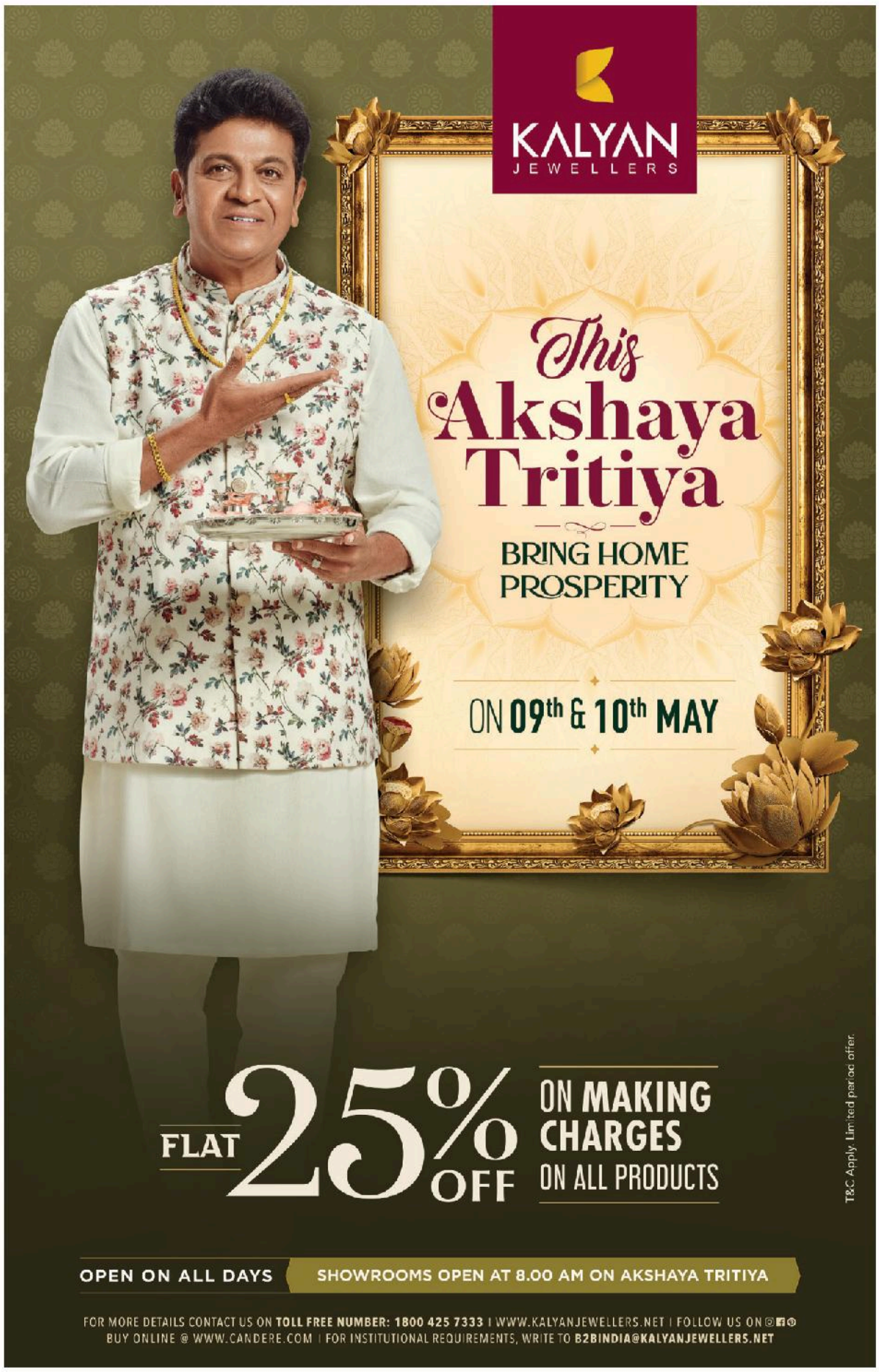
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